Subject: Mayor's Volunteer Corps: Connect Through Volunteering From: Mayor Eric Garcetti <mayor.volunteer@lacity.org> Date: 02/13/2018 01:57 PM To: <Mistyli@aol.com>

Dear Mayor's Volunteer Corps,

I want to take a moment to thank everyone who participated in last month's **Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count**. The count drew the most volunteers in its history — more than 8,000 Angelenos covered 4,000 square miles in three days and nights.

Here are some more ways for you to get involved in your community. I hope you can join us!

Help fight hunger with Food Forward!

Food Forward fights hunger and reduces waste through more than 170 volunteer events each month across Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. Food waste accounts for more than 15.5% of waste in California — and you can make a difference by participating in Food Forward's **backyard harvest** and **farmers market** initiatives. All of the fresh fruits and vegetables collected are **donated to hunger relief agencies** and distributed to food insecure people across eight counties. Check out the <u>volunteer calendar</u> to <u>sign up</u> for an event near you! **ONGOING OPPORTUNITY**

Help TechFair LA Connect Job Seekers to Opportunities

Volunteer at <u>TechFair LA</u> — the largest tech job fair in Los Angeles, which brings together top companies that are actively recruiting outstanding talent. I am co-hosting the event with <u>Comparably</u> CEO Jason Nazar and the <u>Annenberg Foundation</u> on **March 7 and 8** at the **Magic Box** @ **The Reef** in Downtown LA. Volunteers will answer questions, direct foot traffic, help with the Hackathon, and assist with event set-up and breakdown. Volunteers are Mayor's Volunteer Corps: Connect Through Volun...

welcome to attend the TechFair before or after their shift. Sign up to volunteer **here**. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 | THURSDAY, MARCH 8

Volunteer at the Sepulveda Basin Homeless Connect Day

Help your neighbors impacted by homelessness connect to the services they need — through this collaboration between the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, the State of California, and nonprofit agencies. Volunteers will help with event set-up and breakdown, greeting guests, and assisting with registration and coordination of breakfast and lunch. Sign up to volunteer <u>here</u>. **THURSDAY, MARCH 15**

Enjoy the LA Marathon Without Breaking a Sweat

Be a part of one of the largest running events in the country by volunteering at the <u>Skechers Performance Los Angeles Marathon</u>. You'll meet great people and provide much-needed support to thousands of runners. Sign up and get more information <u>here</u>. **SUNDAY, MARCH 18**

Did you know that the Mayor's Office provides opportunities to learn about issues like homelessness through the Civic University program? *Days of Compassion Civic U* is a 3-day convening of faith communities - congregants, lay leaders, and clergy - designed to empower advocates who are working to end the homelessness crisis. To learn more or sign up, click here.

If you have ideas about how we can best support volunteerism in Los Angeles, please contact us at <u>mayor.volunteer@lacity.org</u>. We welcome your ideas

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and feedback!

Eric Garcetti Your Mayor

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